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Senior IPS Officer Mahesh Dixit Appointed as New Intelligence Bureau (IB) Director

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The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has appointed Mahesh Dixit, a 1993-batch IPS officer of the Andhra Pradesh cadre, as the new Director of the Intelligence Bureau (IB) for a two-year tenure. ?

He will succeed Tapan Kumar Deka, whose tenure as IB Director ends in June 2026.

Before his appointment, Dixit was serving as the Special Director of the Intelligence Bureau, the second-highest position in the organisation.

Mahesh Dixit has extensive experience in internal security, counter-terrorism, intelligence gathering, and operations in Jamm & Kashmir.

He previously headed the Subsidiary Intelligence Bureau (SIB) in Srinagar, where he played a significant role in intelligence operations following the abrogation of Article 370.

His appointment comes at a time when India faces evolving challenges such as cross-border terrorism, cyber threats, espionage, and internal security issues.

About the Intelligence Bureau (IB)

The Intelligence Bureau (IB) is India's oldest and premier internal intelligence agency, responsible for gathering intelligence related to internal security.

Key Facts

Established: 1887

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Ministry: Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA)

Headquarters: New Delhi

Head: Director, Intelligence Bureau(DIB)

Current Director: Mahesh Dixit

Nature: Domestic/Internal intelligence agency

Functions of the Intelligence Bureau

The IB is responsible for:

Internal intelligence collection

Counter-terrorism operations

Counter-espionage

Counter-radicalisation

Internal security assessments

Border and insurgency-related intelligence

Intelligence inputs to the Union Government

About Mahesh Dixit

Service: Indian Police Service (IPS)

Batch: 1993

Cadre: Andhra Pradesh

Previous Position: Special Director, Intelligence Bureau

Former head of the Subsidiary Intelligence Bureau(SIB), Srinagar

Expertise in:

Counter-terrorism

Jamm& Kashmir security

Intelligence operations

Internal security coordination

Intelligence Agencies in India

Intelligence Bureau(IB)

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Works under the Ministry of Home Affairs

Deals with internal intelligence and domestic security

Research and Analysis Wing (R&AW)

India's external intelligence agency

Works under the Cabinet Secretariat

Responsible for foreign intelligence and strategic external security

Secretary of the Research and Analysis Wing: Parag Jain

National Investigation Agency (NIA)

Established under the National Investigation Agency Act, 2008

Investigates terrorism and other scheduled offences

Works under the Ministry of Home Affairs

Director General: Rakesh Aggarwal

Additional Key Facts

Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC)

Approves appointments to senior positions in the Government of India.

Chaired by the Prime Minister.

The Union Home Minister is a member for relevant appointments.

Subsidiary Intelligence Bureau(SIB)

State-level field units of the Intelligence Bureau.

Responsible for intelligence collection and coordination at the regional level.

Difference Between IB and R&AW

Intelligence Bureau(IB)Research and Analysis Wing (R&AW)

Internal intelligenceExternal intelligence

Under Ministry of Home AffairsUnder Cabinet Secretariat

Domestic security Foreign intelligence

Established in 1887Established in 1968

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Exam Focus Points (Quick Revision Notes)

Person in News ? Mahesh Dixit

Post ? Director, Intelligence Bureau (IB)

Service ? IPS (1993 Batch)

Cadre ? Andhra Pradesh

Succeeded ? Tapan Kumar Deka

Previous Position ? Special Director, IB

Agency ? Intelligence Bureau

IB Established ? 1887

Administrative Ministry ? Ministry of Home Affairs